

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK**

**July 23, 2015
7:00 PM**

Commissioner Anlian announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the “Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10 4-6 et seq.” notice of which was sent to the Record, and the Star Ledger on December 31, 2014 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioners Anlian (7:10), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia Esq., Village Attorney; Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent; Ed Rose, Chief of Police and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting and the Closed Session Meeting of July 9, 2015.

On roll call, Commissioners Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.
Absent: Commissioner Anlian

CLOSED SESSION I

Resolution:

2015-085 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, the public portion of the meeting recessed in order to convene a Closed Session Executive Meeting permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (7) Attorney/Client Privilege - Development of Meadowlands

On roll call, Commissioners Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.
Absent: Commissioner Anlian

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:02 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:09 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION

2015-086 Approve Liquor License Renewals

2015-087 Authorize Mayor to sign License & Service Agreement with VTS (Virtual Towns & Schools)

2015-088 Award Professional Contract to Kenneth Ochab Associates, LLC

Commissioner Boyd advised Resolution 2015-088 should have a limit of \$10,000.00.

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, that Resolutions 2015-086 through 2015-088 with the stipulation of a \$10,000.00 limit be approved.

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- 07-15 Draft of Mayor's Letter to Mayor Keleman – River Road Drainage Concerns – Mr. O'Grady advised the County is repairing the road. The Village has nothing to do with the drainage – the source of the problem is in Bogota.
- 07-16 Jennifer Sanson – Wags to Whiskers Co. – Moot Issue
- 07-17 Imran Khaja – Use of Vacant Lot – Moot Issue
- 07-18 Michael Pagan, Bergen County Public Information Officer – Colombian Independence Day and Flag Raising Ceremony - Informational
- 07-19 Chris Sturm – Urban Water Solutions Initiative – Mr. O'Grady to ask John Rolak if the Village needs to pass a resolution.
- 07-20 Boggia & Boggia letter to Starplex – Theatre Parking Lot – Mr. O'Grady advised Starplex is cleaning it
- 07-21 Board of Chosen Freeholders – Ordinances - Informational
- 07-22 Jane Linter, Bergen County Division of Senior Services – Bergen County Senior Picnic - Informational
- 07-23 Larry Stefanile – Little League Improvement Project – Mrs. O'Grady will send letter to Baseball Organization to encourage attendance at the August 11th meeting for discussion.
- 07-24 Assemblyman Gary Schaer – Assembly Bill 3929 - Informational
- 07-25 Ordinance 2001-01 – Challenger Road, south of Emerson Street – The Village owns Challenger Road south of Emerson Street to Route 46.
- 07-26 Yoan Medrano – Notice to Property Owners - Informational
- 07-27 Pool Commission – Ordinance Change Request – Boggia & Boggia will draft ordinance amendments with 7 residents as the Pool Commission with 2 Commissioners as advisors and 1 Commissioner as an alternate.
- 07-28 Michael Dressler – Informational Meeting - Informational
- 07-29 Boggia & Boggia Letter to Daekyo America – 105 Challenger Road – Mr. Boggia stated he has spoken with Mr. Lee who is looking into the issue.
- 07-30 Vernon Thomas, Bergen County Health Department – Free HIV Counseling & Testing – To be referred to the Board of Health via Commissioner Anlian.
- 07-31 Dr. Rico Visperas – Community Involvement – Mrs. O'Grady will contact Dr. Visperas and refer him to the Business Association for Street Fair Information.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No citizens present.

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DISCUSSION

Employee Policies & Procedures Handbook

Commissioner Anlian advised there are a few grammar errors and will send the documents to Boggia & Boggia.

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd advised the new tax rate is 3.550%. The Municipal Rate decreased but the School Rate increased.

Mayor Fosdick announced he will be on vacation next Wednesday. OEM received a reimbursement grant for the firehouse generators. OEM also receives a \$5000 grant each year from EMAA (Emergency Management Agency Assistance). The High School Hall of Fame Dinner is September 25th. Hazelton Street residents are not aware of the paving project. Mr. O'Grady advised notification letters are being mailed tomorrow. Mayor Fosdick recommended a committee be formed to determine the future use of the VFW site.

CLOSED SESSION II

Resolution:

2015-089 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the public portion of the meeting recessed in order to convene a Closed Session Executive Meeting permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (8) Personnel

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:35 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian
Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Tara O'Grady
Village Clerk

Approved on August 6, 2015